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1. BELGIAN DELEGATION HAS CIRCULATED BRIEF PAPER REITERATING SHUURMAN'S REMARKS ON THE "OWEN PROPOSAL" (REF A) AND PROMOTING BELGIAN VARIANT OF MBFR COMMUNIQUE TEXT (PARA 5, REF B).

2. WHILE REITERATING THAT THEY ARE "CERTAINLY NOT OPPOSED IN PRINCIPLE" TO AN MBFR SESSION IN VIENNA AT FOREIGN MINISTERS' LEVEL, BELGIANS STRESS THIS CAN ONLY BE JUSTIFIED FOLLOWING "SUBSTANTIAL CONCESSIONS" BY THE EAST AND THUS AT A MORE ADVANCED STAGE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS WHEN THE OUTLINES OF AN AGREEMENT HAVE ALREADY BEEN ESTABLISHED.

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3. THE BELGIANS ALSO REPEATED THEIR PREFERENCE FOR GENERAL LANGUAGE ON PRECONDITIONS AND SUGGESTED THAT SINGLING OUT "DATA" COULD IMPLY THAT PROGRESS IN THIS AREA ALONE WOULD JUSTIFY A FOREIGN MINISTERS' SESSION DESPITE A POSSIBLE DEADLOCK ELSEWHERE.

4. BELGIANS ALSO ELABORATED THEIR OPPOSITION TO A "MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS" SUGGESTING THAT SUCH A

PROPOSAL WOULD FALL OUTSIDE THE TRIANGULAR MBFR DECISION
MAKING STRUCTURE OF THE AHG, NATO COUNCIL AND NATIONAL
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